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Applicant has claimed small entity status when filing above-referenced patent application and has paid the filing fee for a small entity in good faith when in fact, it has been discovered that such status as a small entity was established in error.

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